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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6980

BILL NUMBER: HB 1348

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 4, 2004

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Public purchasing of professional services.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Austin

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires local boards to bid contracts for professional engineering, architectural, or accounting services for public work projects when the boards are required to bid out other components of the project.

Effective Date: July 1, 2004.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The additional process of bidding contracts for professional engineering, architectural, or accounting services for these types of public work projects could add additional expenses for a local board. However, the competitive bid process could also reduce the cost of the professional engineering, architectural, or accounting services contracts.

The bidding of services might also cause some small delay in the construction of public works projects.

It is unknown if the additional costs of the bidding process and potential time delays in construction would be more or less than the potential savings from competitively bidding the services.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Local Public Works Projects.

Information Sources:

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